## VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON HILLS PLAN COMMISSION MEETING AUGUST 12, 2013

The regular meeting of the Village of Barrington Hills Plan Commission was called to order by Chairman Bosworth at 7:32 p.m.

Commission Members Present: Daryl Adams

Kenneth Bosworth, Chairman

Arnold Cernick Pamela Cools Patrick Hennelly

Julie Joyce

Absent: Daniel Wolfgram

Lou Anne Majewski

Kelly Mazeski

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**: Commissioner Joyce made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Cools, to approve the June 10<sup>th</sup> Minutes. Motion carried unanimously. (Note: There was no July Plan Commission meeting.)

**SPRING CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP**: Sharon Osterby appeared before the Commission as the new Coordinator of the Spring Creek Watershed (SCW) succeeding Nancy Schumm. At the September 10, 2012 meeting, the Plan Commission had approved a recommendation to the Board for acceptance of this Plan.

Ms. Osterby said it is her goal to build working relationships among all the various governmental agencies within the SCW. She pointed out that 73% of this watershed is within Barrington Hills, with six areas in the Village on the EPA's priority list.

Referring to the assistance offered by the SCW, Chairman Bosworth asked if their grant would cover 100% of an expense. Ms. Osterby replied that it could be up to 60%, but there were also other agencies that could help especially if the project dealt with water quality and control.

When asked if the SCW would have the authority to follow up on projects, Ms. Osterby said their Technical and Managing Committees only make suggestions, and that ultimately it would be the EPA advising how goals and achievements have been met. It is the SCW's role to offer guidance, including suggestions on how to protect water quality in future developments.

Ms. Osterby thanked the Commission for their support.

<u>VILLAGE HALL RAIN GARDEN/BIO SWALE</u>: As Kurt Thomsen was unable to attend the meeting, this matter was postponed until next month's meeting.

**HERITAGE CORRIDOR PROGRAM (BACT)**: Barrington Area Conservation Trust representatives Lisa Woolford, Director of Land Protection, and Karen Yancey, Executive Director, appeared before the Commission reviewing the BACT's role in the community.

Ms. Woolford explained that the BACT is actively working with residents on some of the area's most scenic rural byways, including Ridge Road, Old Sutton Road, Brinker Road, and Otis Road, to expand a network of conservations easements to ensure the permanent protection of these heritage corridors. Currently there are about 12 such easements in place. Additional roads that could be considered for the Heritage Corridor Program are Bateman, Haeger's Bend, Plum Tree, Miller, Chapel and Cuba Roads.

Ms. Woolford said that many residents along Lake Cook Road feel that their road should also qualify as a scenic road. Some concerns of the Commission to this suggestion included impact on other roads in the Village due to a potential change in traffic patterns. Ms. Woolford said their objective is to protect scenic views for the entire community to enjoy, not just for the homes along that road. It is her hope that consideration would be given to reroute traffic onto other roads, allowing Lake Cook to be able to maintain its scenic quality. Ms. Yancey also suggested encouraging the use of other routes through the Village, including potential regional bypasses, as well as perhaps lowering the speed limit on Lake Cook.

Commissioner Cools pointed out that IDOT has jurisdiction over Lake Cook Road.

**LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT (CMAP)**: Anna Paul, Building & Zoning for Barrington Hills, advised that an application had been sent to CMAP for assistance in plans for a bike trail from Penney Road into Dundee. Chairman Bosworth also asked to include on next month's agenda the possibility of seeking assistance from CMAP regarding large, undeveloped parcels within the Village.

**TRUSTEE'S REPORT**: Speaking on behalf of Trustee Konicek, President McLaughlin advised that Colliers (sp) is actively marketing the Duda property.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm, after being so moved and seconded

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Majewski Recording Secretary